

THAT BIG BLOW.

It Was a Somewhat Youthful but Vigorous, Tornado.

Some Opinions of Citizens Whom It Caught on the Fly.

The Storm Is Over, but a very Cold Wave Is Coming This Way.

Everybody was talking about the great tornado this morning. It was a humor, and no mistake, and the weather man who said last night that it was only a local squall, had to revise his opinion to-day when he got through his personal of the morning papers.

It seemed to strike the country all over at just about the same time. Chicago, Burlington, Philadelphia, Elmira, Frederick, Md., and the Jersey towns, New Haven and Rutland, Vt., all caught it in the eye, and things were knocked endwise for a little while.

In some places there were flying halloons of immense size; in others, telegraph poles and chicken coops, and in still others the wind swept itself with church steeples and ex-pros, waving.

Cyclone cells were in great demand over the immense area covered by the storm, and in general people received the worst scaring that has fallen to their lot for many a day.

We look back and across of yester in our, and a good many people who were caught out in it, think they would prefer to have a March blizzard strike them to-day than the week that another such end and dirt storm.

Those who have traveled in the Orient say that an ordinary typhoon is nothing to the Bahama is nothing to it. The elevated trains last evening carried crowds of people who spent the morning of the day in the city, and some of them out of their eyes, and hawking gritty pieces of Jersey real estate out of their lungs.

There was a great deal of damage done on the roof of the Potter Building to start, good sized pots, and most of the dwellers in Gotham could plant flower gardens on their window-sills this morning.

Experts, who have examined the character of the storm, say that it undoubtedly came from New Jersey, although there may be a sprinkling of Pennsylvania iron ore and coal in it.

The fact that the cloud was of a decidedly yellowish tint, would also go to prove this explanation, and the correct one.

There were several things visible to those who viewed the swirling dust from the lower part of the city, which are also satisfactorily accounted for by the fact that the tornado appropriated considerable real estate in the vicinity of Bank N. J., as it passed along on its way to the city.

In the uptown districts it is reported that the wind played havoc with the wooden fences and the frail structures erected upon the rocky projections of Grist Mill. In many cases a whole week's washing had been done away without a vestige remaining, and the debris of the structures was scattered all over the city.

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THE STORM IN CHICAGO.

Marks of its Violence Plainly Visible on All Sides.

Special to the Evening World.

CHICAGO, May 11.—The storm of yesterday's great storm is visible here on every hand today.

The wind blew with the fury of a hurricane, knocking over chimneys, tearing down signs and even overturning carriages in the city.

Lightning also caused much damage, many buildings being set on fire.

The storm came after three days of oppressively hot weather.

Two Children Swept Away Before Their Mother's Eyes.

Special to the Evening World.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 11.—The storm of last night was the most severe since the great water-spout of 1874.

During the day several strokes occurred; but at 4 the temperature dropped instantaneously from 90 to 70 degrees, and there commenced a destructive storm of rain and hail, with lightning and deafening thunder.

Along the river houses were swept away or filled with water.

Two children of Conrad Shafer, of Spring Creek, Pa., were swept away in the flood near Father's Run, where the banks were overtopped.

The house was moved from its foundation and the family took shelter under trees.

On running out of the house the children were caught in the flood and carried away.

Mr. Shafer became so frantic at seeing his children in the river that he ran into the water and was almost drowned.

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MERRY TOPICS OF THE DAY.

HUMAN NATURE AS DEPICTED BY THE PENS OF HUMORISTS.

Limited Capabilities.

Major Charles Miles, Salvation Army—The storm was a scorching, wasn't it? I just got in time to escape it, but I saw it blow, and sympathized with all the people who were caught in it.

Admiral, Howells, Salvation Army—No, I was not caught in it, but a great many of the boys were, and they got soaked. It was one of the liveliest I've ever seen.

Dr. Kennedy, 167 West Thirty-fourth street—That storm was great. I was sitting here in my office when it came up. I heard the shutters clanging and made up my mind that we were going to catch it, and I was right.

Sergeant, Lindbergh, Thirtieth street station—It was a terrible storm. I was out on duty, and I saw it blow. I was a heavy weight. If I hadn't been some of my confidants would probably be holding an inquest on my weather forecast today. I'm full of dust, and I think it will take some time to wash it out.

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FISH OUT OF PRISON.

And Speeding Rapidly on the Way to New York.

His Daughter Annie and Sally Reber's Child Are with Him.

A Regular Prison Breakfast and the Usual Formalities Before His Release.

Special to the Evening World.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 11.—James D. Fish was released from Auburn Prison at 8.55 o'clock this morning and will be in New York to-night.

The rumor spread yesterday that he would be secretly released during last night and packed off to New York by way of Westport.

This report led to extra watchfulness on the part of local newspaper men and some of their metropolitan brethren who were sent up here to see the old man off, but it proved to be unfounded.

Fish, walked out attired in the new suit of clothes for which he was measured some time ago.

He had retained a certain urbane dignity of manner, even when in stripes, and as he came forth from the prison this morning he seemed at all the ex-convict, but the very embodiment of elderly and business-like respectability.

There were plenty of eyes waiting for the appearance of the old man, and he was surrounded by a throng of people anxious to catch a sight of him.

It was impossible to disappoint all of these curiosity-seekers, but so quietly and well was the discharge and the passage to the depot arranged that many failed to see the object of their curiosity.

Fish breakfasted as usual at the regular prison table, his morning meal as quietly as if it were not the last he was to eat within the walls.

He was met by his daughter, Annie, who was called to the clerk's office, where he went through the regular form of questions and answers.

He said his health was fair when he came to the prison and was well as he left it. He declared himself of Puritan religion and said he had eight children.

Accompanying Fish to the clerk's office were James Foley, a burglar, and James Connell, of New York City, sentenced for grand larceny.

After the formalities were over Fish took leave of the prison officers, who were in the keepers' hall at the time and then passed out to the big front door, where he was met by a throng of people.

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TOO EAGER BRAVES.

Mayor Grant Evades Them by Going Into Retirement.

Fat Appointments Held Back for Distribution on Monday.

County Democrats Checkmated by Police Justice McMahon's Appointment.

As when he made his former appointments, Mayor Grant again went into retirement to-day after having named the Tammany leader of his district, the Nineteenth Assembly, for one of the four new police justiceships.

It was not a cold which prevented his attendance at official duties to-day, however, and it was even hinted at the City Hall that he might have sought relaxation with a few friends in a bath excursion.

His appointment of Police Justice McMahon, last evening, was the theme of conversation among politicians to-day.

It is recognized as a very clever checkmate of the County Democrats in the Board of Police Justice to land a few of their friends in fat offices for long terms.

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